

Claims 1 and 3 stand once amended as herein identified, with the additions underlined and the deletions in brackets. Claims 2 and 4-6 remain original. Claim 7, which was included in the subject reissue application as a new claim, is shown entirely underlined.

Accordingly, U.S. Patent No. 5,996,948 is in condition to be reissued with the claims as attached hereto. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 212-589-4634 should any additional information be required.

Respectfully submitted,

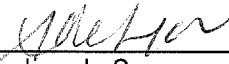
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